

# Stonehill

**Type** City

**Population** 250,000

**Owning Organization** Cuswar

Since the dissolution of the Order of the Silver Mind, the monastery has been lost. The dome remains, but exploration inside discovered nothing more than a dusty and unkempt area with little more than straw to cover the dirt ground.

## Government

Stonehill was built around a monastery. While the town does have a Lord, he acts more as a liaison between the monks and the people. Now that the Order of the Silver Mind is gone, the town's Mayor presides over the city with a group of city councilors.

## Defences

Stonehill's original wall remains standing though the city has spread outside of it and everything within the wall is considered to be the city's main downtown area.

## Industry & Trade

The soil around Stonehill keep is incredibly fertile due to the latent magic of the swamp. Additionally the swamp is a great source of bog iron, again due to the latent magic in the swamp the Bog Iron is incredibly potent and holds enchantments better than simple steel.

## Infrastructure

Stonehill's big draw is the monastery the town was built around. It is a large stone dome in the centre of town. The only people allowed inside are the monks. Even though the Order is gone, the dome is still a fairly big draw for tourists, though the entrance was sealed long ago.

## Assets

The Monks are known to collect artifacts, though they never allow them to be shown. The artifact collection was lost along with the order and it is assumed by many that they are gone forever.

## History

Originally, only the monastery stood here. Years ago, when the word of The Prophet was only just starting to spread across Ovenica, the monks decided they needed to solidify their claim to their land and the surrounding area. They began offering people sanctuary and the right to farm the lands around them. When the Children of the Prophet came calling the monks were able to secure their land as a province, which still remains today. It is the only province without a dedicated temple to any of the deities in its capital.

After the War for Stonehill the Order of the Silver Mind had fallen apart and the town began ruling itself without the aid of the monks.

## Architecture

Stonehill has a very thrown together look. The people that came here to settle came from all over and brought culture with them (and continue to). Stonehill is now one of the smaller settlements in Ovenica but it does continue to grow, slowly but surely.

## Geography

Stonehill sits in the middle of the swamp, and is only an hour or so from the Allanora Sea.

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